

1. A lockout device for preventing a person from accessing electronic information comprising:
 - a key for enabling and disabling Internet access;
 - a key operated switch configured to receive the key and selectively break traces providing Internet access;
 - a display electrically coupled to the key operated switch and configured to indicating whether Internet access is enabled or disabled.
2. The lockout device of claim 1, wherein the display includes a light emitting diode (LED).
3. The lockout device of claim 1, wherein the lockout device is configured for mounting in a case of one of a computer, a cable modem, and an asymmetric digital subscriber line (ADSL) modem.

4. A lock out device for preventing a person from accessing electronic information comprising:

a key for enabling and disabling Internet access;

a relay configured to selectively break traces providing Internet access;

a key operated switch electrically coupled the relay and configured to receive the key and energize the relay;

a display electrically coupled to the relay for indicating whether Internet access is enabled or disabled.

5. The lockout device of claim 4, wherein the display includes a light emitting diode (LED).

6. The lockout device of claim 4, wherein the lockout device is configured for mounting in the case of one of a computer, a cable modem, and an asymmetric digital subscriber line (ADSL) modem.

7. A lockout system for preventing a person from accessing electronic information comprising:

a computer including a case and a motherboard capable of accessing electronic information mounted in the case, the case also configured for mounting a locking device;

a locking device including a reading device configured to receive user input, the locking device mounted in the case, electrically coupled to the motherboard, and configured to enable and disable the access of electronic information in response to the user input.

8. The lockout system of claim 7, wherein the locking device further includes a display configured to indicated whether the access of electronic information is enabled or disabled.

9. The lockout system of claim 7, wherein the motherboard of the computer includes traces that carrying the electronic information.

10. The lockout system of claim 7, wherein the locking device further includes a relay electrically coupled to the motherboard and configured to enable and disable the access of electronic information.

11. The lockout system of claim 7, wherein the reading device is a magnetic card reader.

12. The lockout system of claim 7, wherein the reading device is a keypad.

13. The lockout system of claim 7, wherein the reading device is a touch screen.

14. The lockout system of claim 7, wherein the reading device includes an interactive telephone component configured to allow the user to enable and disable the access of electronic information remotely.

15. The lockout system of claim 7, wherein the reading device includes a web-based device configured to allow the user to enable and disable the access of electronic information remotely.

16. The lockout system of claim 7, wherein the motherboard includes a controller configured to provide access to electronic information, the locking device configured to provide a signal to the controller to enable and disable the access of electronic information.

17. A lockout system for preventing a person from accessing electronic information comprising:

a modem including a case and a circuit capable of accessing electronic information mounted in the case, the case also configured for mounting a locking device;

a locking device including a reading device configured to receive user input, the locking device mounted in the case, electrically coupled to the circuit, and configured to enable and disable the access of electronic information in response to the user input.

18. The lockout system of claim 17, wherein the locking device further includes a display configured to indicate whether the access of electronic information is enabled or disabled.

19. The lockout system of claim 17, wherein the circuit of the modem includes traces that carry the electronic information.

20. The lockout system of claim 17, wherein the locking device further includes a relay electrically coupled to the circuit and configured to enable and disable the access of electronic information.

21. The lockout system of claim 17, wherein the reading device is a magnetic card reader.

22. The lockout system of claim 17, wherein the reading device is a keypad.

23. The lockout system of claim 17, wherein the reading device is a touch screen.

24. The lockout system of claim 17, wherein the reading device includes an interactive telephone component configured to allow the user to enable and disable the access of electronic information remotely.

25. The lockout system of claim 17, wherein the reading device includes a web-based device configured to allow the user to enable and disable the access of electronic information remotely.

26. The lockout system of claim 17, wherein the circuit includes a controller configured to provide access to electronic information, the locking device configured to provide a signal to the controller to enable and disable the access of electronic information.